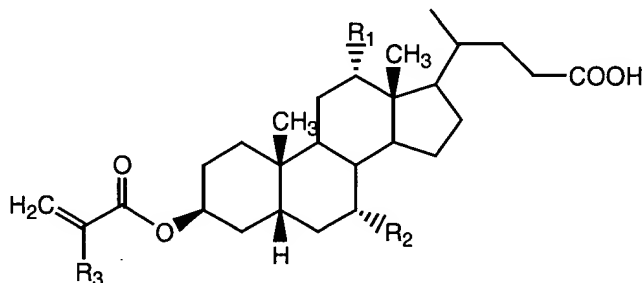


At page 3, please delete the 3rd full paragraph and replace it with the following paragraph:

The present invention has the following constitution:

A (meth)acrylic acid ester compound represented by the following general formula (I):



wherein R₁ and R₂ each independently represent a hydrogen atom or a hydroxyl group; and R₃ represents a hydrogen atom or a methyl group.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Amended) A (meth)acrylic acid ester compound represented by the following general formula (I):